

## **Moose Creek Ranger District**

The Moose Creek Ranger District, headquartered at Fenn Ranger Station contains approximately 870,000 acres within the 1.3 million acre Selway River Sub-basin. The current Moose Creek Ranger District is a co-location of the former Moose Creek and Selway Ranger Districts. 560,000 acres are within the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness; 275,000 acres are inventoried roadless; and approximately 35,000 acres are roaded.

The area is also rich in Forest Service heritage and tradition. The District maintains two (2) historic ranger stations; Moose Creek Ranger Station, built in 1922, and Fenn Ranger Station, constructed by the CCC in 1939. Both of these Ranger Stations are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. There are several other historic cabins still in use on the District including Shearer Guard Station (old Ranger Station @ Bear Creek), Meadow Creek Cabin (circa 1922), and Selway Falls Cabin (circa 1907). The Moose Creek Ranger District through its wilderness and packing programs, continues to carry the traditional Forest Service legacy into the future. Maintaining those traditional Forest Service skills and programs is an important component of the District. Moose Creek serves as a reminder of the history and traditions that made this organization what it is today. We are proud of our history and tradition.

The primary contribution from the Moose Creek District to the local economy is through dispersed and developed recreation. Local communities served primarily include the river communities of Lowell, and Syringa. The small local businesses in these communities cater to the recreation use on the Lochsa, Middle Fork Clearwater, and Selway Rivers.

The District serves several communities of interest that includes wilderness advocates and users, whitewater enthusiasts, and motorized and non-motorized trail user groups among others.